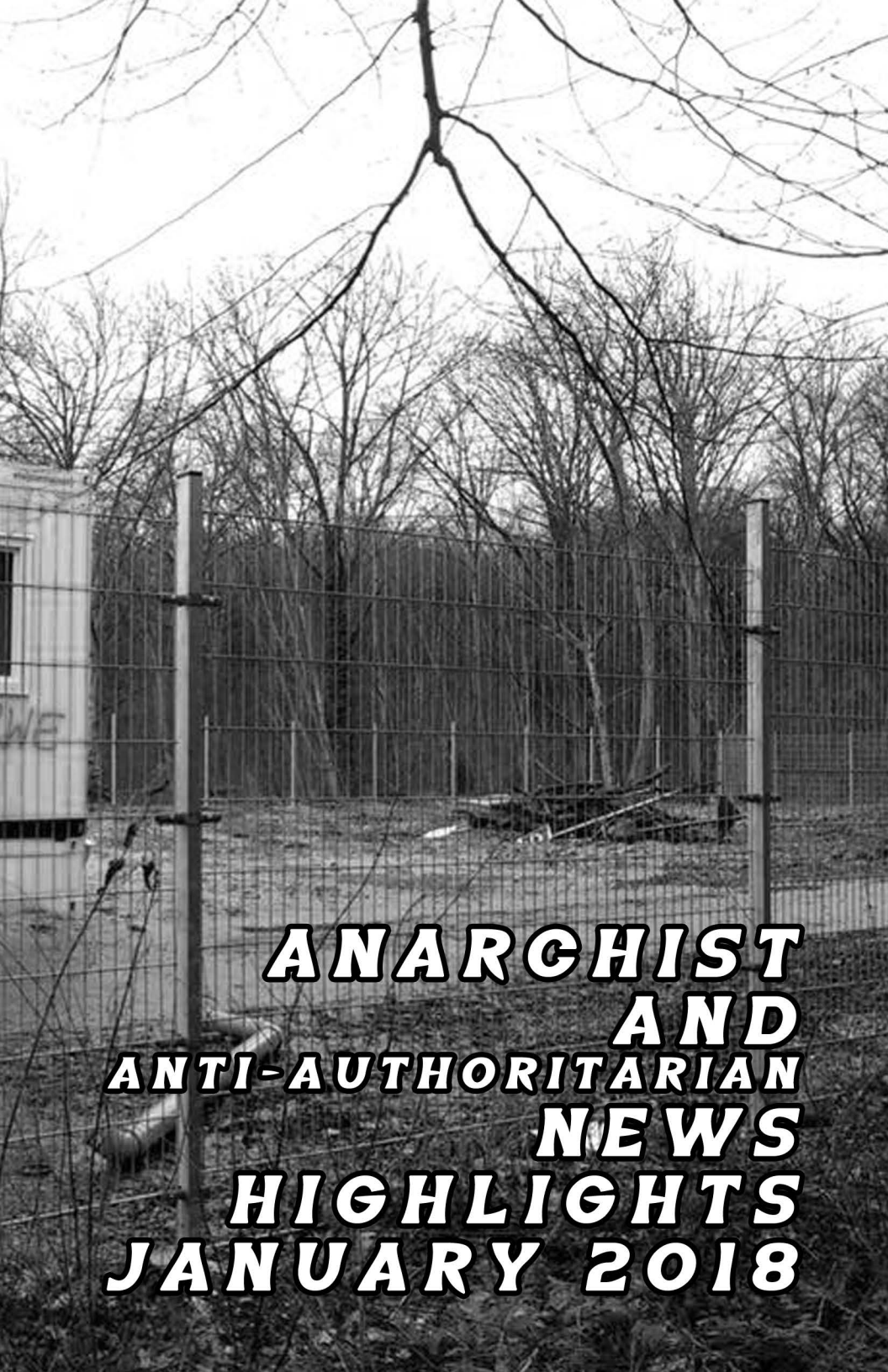


ANARCHIST AND ANTI-AUTHORITARIAN NEWS HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 2018

IN CASE YOU DIDN'T SEE, HEAR, OR DO IT YOURSELF THESE ARE SOME EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE OR WERE REPORTED DURING JANUARY 2018.

ANALYSIS IS IMPORTANT, BUT YOU WONT FIND THAT HERE UNLESS INDIVIDUAL READERS TAKE IT UPON THEMSELVES TO CONTEMPLATE AND DISCUSS WHAT THEY HAVE READ. I'M JUST UTILIZING A QUICK AND EASY WAY TO SHARE NEWS WITH YOU THAT I READ EACH MONTH. I READ A VARIETY OF SOURCES PERHAPS YOU WILL FIND IT BENEFICIAL TO READ THE HIGHLIGHTS FROM EACH ALL IN ONE PLACE.

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SMASHY

Nashville, TN: Vandalism Against Alt-Right Gym - It's Going Down

"Late Thursday night, a fine group of folks smashed out the windows and ruined the mural at Vengeance Kvlt, the gym in Nashville with ties to Operation Werewolf, an offshoot of a crypto-fascist organization called Wolves of Vinland."

Kiev, Ukraine: New Year Armed Action by "Revenge of Marusya Nikiforova" Cell FAI

"My revenge once again fell on the luxury cars, for the first time, lead bullets were used instead of the fire. I attacked a way of life and objects that emphasize the gap between the poor and the rich. I did it because I wanted to and could."

Striking Back Against The Banks In Portland - It's Going Down

"In a split second decision, we ransacked the closest big box grocery store for all the Visa gift cards we could stuff into our pockets. We cut off about a third of these, so as to make them that much harder to fish out of the machines, and processed to gallivant across Portland jamming every machine we came across. In total we managed to wreck almost 20 ATMs, although we shall have to see how long it takes the banks to repair them."

Cremona, Italy – ENI petrol station attacked |

"In the night between 11th and 12th December we sabotaged an ENI petrol station in Cremona. A few petrol pumps out of use and a self-service pump no longer fit for use. We did it because the government rapes and abuses human beings in Libya on behalf of ENI. Moreover ENI devastates the world and collaborates with the construction of TAP in Salento. This is enough to destroy the deafening silence."

Gentrifying Businesses Again Targeted in Atlanta's Cabbagetown Neighborhood - It's Going Down

"On the night of January 6th, we smashed out all 3 of the remaining windows on Sock Fancy, the self-proclaimed "awesomely random sock shop" in the Cabbagetown neighborhood of Atlanta.This is the second time in just over 2 months that Sock Fancy has had their windows smashed out. Still to this day, Sock Fancy has yet to repair their window from the last attack. The veneer of their shop has been boarded up for almost two months. Sock Fancy is a small part of a larger trend of gentrification in the Cabbagetown neighbrohood. We do not care if this business is 'local' or not, since it caters to an audience of milquetoast hipsters that are nowhere in the world."

New Caledonia: Société Le Nickel Mine Sabotaged | Earth First! Newswire

"In an internal memo that AFP had a copy of, the management said that a dozen cars were stolen, burned or damaged. It is also said that the curtain of a workshop was smashed, the cafeteria was vandalized and looted, and a truck had its lift arm damaged."

Montichiari, Italy – Damage and graffiti to a carabinieri monument |

"From the local press we learn that the monument to the Carabinieri in the "Caduti di Nasiriya" park [commemorating the 'Fallen of Nasiriya' in Iraq in 2003, when 13 Italian carabinieri, 4 Italian soldiers and 2 Italian and 9 Iraqi civilians were killed] was the target of three vandalistic attacks in the last month.

Between 16th and 17th December graffiti was left on the base of the monument: "Carabinieri in line", which was claimed by anarchists. Between 30th and 31st December a marble sign in remembrance of carabinieri was smashed.

Between 3rd and 4th January graffiti was left on the monument: "Carlo Giuliani Park. Cops Murderers".It seems that the surveillance cameras system in the park is not working and it will be a difficult task to identify those responsible."

Germany: RWE Compound Sabotaged | Earth First! Newswire

"The area was previously part of the forest. RWE cut all the trees, destroyed the habitat of the living beings, built new structures, fenced it off, and observed it with cameras. These structures would help them to destroy the rest (226 hectares) of the 12,000 year old forest (originally 5500 hectares) for their profit with lignite/browncoal, which produces 90 million tons of CO2 per year. The area was fenced, with infrared cameras and alarm system guarded. In it were material containers and a generator. As partially readable in the police report, the fences were removed and the generator destroyed. Also attention was donated to the containers."



Kiel, Germany – A NPD nazi member's car damaged |

"The last weekend before christmas we gave a present to the NPD fascist Herrmann Gutsche. Polyurethane foam and holes in the tyres of his Citroën guarantee festive days full of meditation."

Santiago, Chile: Coordinated Incendiary & Explosive Attacks Against 5 Churches on the Eve of the Pope's Official Visit

"During the early hours of January 12, 2018 a series of explosive and incendiary attacks shake the capital just 3 days before the arrival in Chile of Pope Francis, rotten leader and head of an institution stained with blood and founded on torture, looting and inquisitions."

La Florida, Chile: Incendiary / Explosive Attack Against a Catholic Sanctuary by Anticlerical Incendiary Cell 'Hortensia Quinio' FAI-FRI

"We claim responsibility for the incendiary / explosive device that was left at one of the entrances to the sanctuary of the Apostolistic Movement of Schoenstatt, located in the commune of La Florida, this action was taken on the night of January 15th, the day of Pope Francis' arrival in Chile."

Cagliari, Sardinia – Fire to the accomplices of war, a Vitrociset vehicle under attack |

"Like a flash of light in the unfortunate Christmas festivities, we publish news received by anonymous mail:CAGLIARI VITROCISET VEHICLE ATTACKED FIRE TO THE ACCOMPLICES OF WAR."

Melipilla, Chile: Incendiary Attack Against a Catholic Church One Day After the Arrival of the Pope

"At 01:00AM on January 14th, 2018 at the intersection of Fuenzalida and San Agustín streets, anonymous attackers detonated an incendiary device at the main entrance of the San Agustin de Melipilla Church. After a fire started at the door of the religious temple, bystanders alerted firefighters who prevented it from spreading. The police quickly arrived at the scene but were unable to make any arrests. The incendiary action was claimed by means of graffiti left at the entrance of the church that read:"The only church that illuminates is the one that burns, it is the one that is on fire. No to the Pope"."

Leipzig, Germany – Incendiary attack on the State's forces of repression (31/12/2017) |

"As in many places they were celebrating the new year with uproar, drinking a toast till exhaustion, repeating promises and wishes, as if all the shit of the past could be simply swept away by a glass of wine, we had our fireworks: taking advantage of the occasion we went to the Witzgallstraße area, loaded with incendiary devices, and gave our wishes of a happy new year to cops and prosecutors. In this place the authorities of repression join forces to reintegrate young "criminals" in "the best of the worlds", the system and its logic of exploitation."

France,Saint-Etienne: Sabotage against increased parking charges

“The 22 ticket machines of Crêt-de-Roc were vandalized in Saint-Étienne. The slots for the introduction of coins or blue cards were filled with expansive polyurethane foam.“



Santiago, Chile: Incendiary Attack Against the Mother of Divine Providence Parish During the Visit of the Pope

“Anonymous attackers managed to break the padlock of the perimeter fence of the religious temple, then set the Vatican and Chilean flags on fire at the the feet of a sculpture of the Virgin, as well as throwing incendiary devices at the doors of the Parish. The fire began to spread both at the door and inside the Parish before being discovered by priests and security guards who extinguished it. At the scene they would have found anarchist leaflets which were not mentioned by the media, but would have contained slogans against religion and the Pope’s visit to Chile.“



Berlin, Germany – Six Securitas cars covered in paint |

“On Sunday night unknown people covered six Securitas cars with red paint. For years Securitas has been responsible for the siege at GHS (ex-school occupied by refugees since 2012) and ID control at the gate.“

Santiago, Chile: Incendiary Attack Against a Transantiago Bus by Weichafe Matías Catrileo Autonomous Group

“Arriving on the night of January 10, with autonomous desires in place, we left an incendiary device on a Route 01 Transantiago bus, activating it in the vicinity of Franklin and San Francisco streets. At the moment that the fire began to spread, the sheep driver suffocated it with a fire extinguisher, burning only the rear of this transport symbol of the commercial logic, delegator of times and pulses, adapting the daily to a more narrow social control, providing the comforts that are typical of an alienating culture.“

Basile,Switzerland – Job centre attacked (31/12/2017) |

“We destroyed the glass of the entrance to a job centre in Kleinbasel on New Year’s Eve. We hope the action will cheer up someone in the next days. For a new year in the struggle!“

Report Back from the Eagles Riots: A Chance for Solidarity, but More Importantly, a Chance for Joy | anarchistnews.org

“On January 21st, we took the opportunity to take part in the temporary autonomous spaces created by the post victory fervor of thousands of football fans. Realizing that the soon to be victory of the Eagles was an ample time for us to strike back against the domination of civilization, the police, and the prison walls built by our own deteriorating mental, we met up with friends outside of Lincoln Financial field with the intention of freeing ourselves, albeit temporarily. We joined up with fellow members of the continuous class war in their celebration, singing, chanting, lighting fires, and using this opportunity to attack ATMs and throw a little bit of art on the dismal walls of south Philadelphia. We moved down broad street with a roving party that the Philly PD just couldn’t seem to shut down.“



Zurich, Switzerland: Arson Attack Against the Turkish Consulate

“We set fire to a car on the grounds of the Turkish consulate on Weinberg street in Zurich. We are in solidarity with Rojava and the canton of Afrin, which is currently being attacked by the NATO state of Turkey and allied Islamist militias.”

Paris, France: Incendiary Attack Against a Diplomatic Vehicle in Solidarity with Anarchist Prisoners

"We were walking through the rich neighbourhoods on Monday night looking for a way to ruin their sleep. We do not wait patiently for a hypothetical revolution to come when we really don't know when, and we don't really know how, as if it is going to fall down from the sky. A revolution that will probably not happen if we just wait for it patiently. We decided we wanted to attack now and destroy a small part of what destroys our lives little by little by imprisoning our desires. Consumed by these thoughts we came across a big BMW with Diplomatic Corp plates at the start of Cardinet street. Needless to say, the luxury vehicle was on fire within minutes!"

STREET ART

Durham, NC: "NO WALL NO BORDER" Graffiti in Solidarity with #J20 and FL Prison Strikers - It's Going Down

"A group of friends spent a casual and soon-to-be snowy evening decorating a huge wall in view of Durham's highway 147. We hope this can warm the hearts of friends and comrades facing repression on both sides of the wall. Winter is coming!"



OUTREACH

Kolkata, India: International Anarchist Solidarity Action with Villawood Hunger Strikers

"Our solidarity action involved displaying a banner, reading; "Solidarity with Villawood Hunger Strikers! Burn down the concentration camps! Boycott Australian Tourism, End Exploitation of South Asian Students!". We also distributed 200 plus flyers to passers-by and students attending the Indian State sponsored Australian Education Fair,"

INFILTRATION

An Anarchist Survey of Amazon: Day Two | anarchistnews.org

“Security was very lose and we entered without issue or incident. This laxness was due in large part to the fact that Jeff Bezos was not going to be there. Our first observation was that the majority of Amazon employees in Seattle are between the ages of 25 and 35, many of whom wore Romanesque laurels around their heads. The only major exceptions were immigrant tech employees on H1B visas who were mostly in their 40s and early 50s. Our first stop was the silent dancing area where two hundred employees danced to music over specialty headphones provided for the occasion. It was eerily reminiscent of the celibate loner cult depicted in the film *The Lobster* who danced silently to their headphones in the middle of a forest. “

ANIMAL LIBERATION

Bison Escape Quarantine Facility, BFC and Tribal Members Respond | Earth First! Newswire

“Fifty-two bison have escaped a recently converted quarantine facility inside Yellowstone National Park’s Stephens Creek bison trap. News articles about the escaped buffalo started appearing Tuesday evening.”

First Wolf in a Hundred Years Recorded in Belgium | Earth First! Newswire

“The first recorded wolf on Belgian soil for at least 100 years has made her bloody mark. Farmers in north-east Flanders have been put on high alert after evidence emerged that Naya, a female originally from eastern Germany that has been making a pioneering trek across Europe, had killed two sheep and injured a third near the Belgian town of Meerhout.“

BOYCOTT

Genoa, Italy – On the boycott of the film “Amor y Anarquia” [Love and Anarchy]

“Over recent days, as the film “Amor y Anarquia” was being shot in Genoa following production being moved from Turin after a boycott there, various disruptive actions took place to prevent the film being made and to open up the question for those who want to know more.“

INDIGENOUS RESISTANCE

Nashville, IN: Indigenous Group Reclaims Tipi from Racist Hipster Store, Drops Banner - It's Going Down

"On the 127th anniversary of the Wounded Knee Massacre, an anonymous indigenous group reclaimed a large Tipi from outside of "Tribe Kelley" in Nashville, leaving in its place a banner reading OUR CULTURE IS NOT A FASHION STATEMENT and a letter (image attached).They also ripped the Tipi cartoon out of their storefront sign. On Thursday, people from all indigenous nations mourned the anniversary of the massacre were hundreds of Lakota families were murdered in their tipis by the US 7th Cavalry. Meanwhile, Tribe Kelley owners (including Brian Kelley from racist "bro country" duo Florida Georgia Line) posed with the Tipi on the lawn of their store for promotional shots."

Olympia, WA: Indigenous Woman Occupying State Capitol Lawn Arrested - It's Going Down

"In the pre-dawn hours of the fourth day of an indigenous-led occupation of the State Capitol grounds in Olympia, WA, one Native American woman was taken out of a "tarpee" (a contemporary teepee) and arrested by state patrol troopers, while 3 other occupants were allowed to leave."

Earth Liberation

"**Lorry Surfing" Protest in UK Blocks Road for 3 Hours | Earth First! Newswire**

"Two people climbed on top of a tanker on its way to Third Energy's fracking site in the North Yorkshire village of Kirby Misperton at about 9.10am."

Australia: Adani Activists Stop Coal Train Before Being Arrested | Earth First! Newswire

"Anti-Adani protest group Front Line Action on Coal reported two activists climbed on top of a coal train and hung a banner across a 15-metre-long carriage.After over three hours occupying the coal train, Anna Hush and Gareth Davies were arrested at 10am."

Hudson Valley Earth First! Ends Tree Sit, Announces Action Camp - It's Going Down

"Hudson Valley Earth First! has decided to end the tree sit against the Valley Lateral Pipeline. The tree sit lasted a full 23 days, and was effective in causing the pipeline company to reroute their project around the protest.

Due to these circumstances and others, the brave individual(s) who occupied it have left for the time being. No one was arrested."

Mexico: Communities Organize Against Forest Pillaging in Michoacán - It's Going Down

"The 30 towns that make up the Supreme Indigenous Council of Michoacán began community patrols and organized groups of self-defense forces to both protect the forests and avocado groves from pillaging and to reject the collection of fees."

UK: Lock-On Protest at Shale Gas Site | Earth First! Newswire

"Two pairs of opponents of Cuadrilla's shale gas operations in Lancashire locked themselves together at about 5am outside the site at Preston New Road near Blackpool. The lock-on protest was the first of 2018. A team of four specialist police officers removed the campaigners by early afternoon. Police said four people, a 17 year old girl, men aged 43 and 56, and a 39-year-old woman had been arrested on suspicion of wilful obstruction of the highway. A spokesperson for the opponents said the action was in memory of two anti-fracking campaigners who died suddenly at the end of last year."

Rethinking Oil: Red Lake Tribal Council Votes to Rescind Deal with Enbridge Energy | Earth First! Newswire

"The Red Lake Tribal Council voted 5-3 to rescind a deal to sell Enbridge Energy reservation land where oil pipelines cross, some 16 miles south of the main part of the Red Lake Indian Reservation."

New York City Plans to Divest $5 Billion from Fossil Fuels and Sue Oil Companies | Earth First! Newswire

"The court filing claims that just 100 fossil fuel producers are responsible for nearly two-thirds of all greenhouse gas emissions since the industrial revolution, with the five targeted companies the largest contributors.The case will also point to evidence that firms such as Exxon knew of the impact of climate change for decades, only to downplay and even deny this in public."

Poland: Forest Defenders Acquitted After Blockade | Earth First! Newswire

"The court in Hajnówka passed a judgement today acquitting the activists who, on 8 June last year, blocked heavy equipment – a harvester and a forwarder – used for felling the Forest. It was decided that the defendants acted in a "state of need". A few weeks ago, the very same Court in Hajnówka pronounced other activists, taking part in the same protest, guilty."

Melendugno (Lecce), Italy – Two cement mixers heading for the TAP site brought to a halt – Some of the companies that collaborate with the TAP |

"On 4th January 2018 about a hundred demonstrators blocked two Minermix cement mixers heading towards the TAP yard. The road block began at 5pm and managed to intercept two vehicles at crossroads between Melendugno and San Foca.The block went on until 7.30pm. A couple of demonstrators also climbed on to the roof of one of the trucks and occupied it as the cement mixers' water tanks leaked their contents on to the road. All attempts by police, carabinieri and finance police to clear a passageway proved

fruitless. When it became clear that the concrete was unusable the victorious demonstrators left of their own initiative. If cement is mixed for too long it cannot be used (normally after two hours). In fact the vehicles didn't go on to the site but returned to their premises to pour out their cargo, now unfit for use. We also believe that the company got a fright, because a prolonged stop of vehicles can result in even more damage if the concrete solidifies inside a cement mixer."

Maine Town Wins Round in Tar Sands Oil Battle With Industry | Earth First! Newswire

"A federal judge has handed a win to South Portland, Maine over a pipeline company that wants to send tar sands oil through the city, a proposal seen as opening a path for Canada's crude to reach the East Coast for export. But the fight is not over. A federal district court judge dismissed on Dec. 29 all but one of the company's claims against the city. The ruling still leaves open a key question: whether the city is violating the U.S. Constitution by blocking the project."

France: ZAD Declares Victory as Airport Plan Dropped! | Earth First! Newswire

"In a communique the famous horizontal community Zone à Defendre (ZAD) has declared a "historic victory" and called for "expropriated peasants and inhabitants to be able to fully recover their rights as soon as possible."The entirety of the land area devoted to the airport project — 1,650 hectares of land declared as being of public utility in 2008 — currently belongs to the State, with the exception of three roads crossing it. The ZAD has argued that this land should be kept in public hands and, rather than turned into an airport, put into forms of public lease for the benefit of the community and wildlife."

Two Indigenous Activists Lock Shut Doors of Department of Fisheries and Oceans Office | Earth First! Newswire

"Tsastilqualus Ambers Umbas and Shawna Green have been arrested for refusing to remove themselves from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) office, situated on unceded WSANEC territories (near Victoria, BC)."

Center for Biological Diversity, Western Watersheds Project, Other Groups Win Victory Against Fracking in Idaho | Earth First! Newswire

"The Trump administration has halted an oil and gas lease sale near eastern Idaho's Grays Lake National Wildlife Refuge in response to protests from conservation groups."

FERC Grants Request to Begin Tree Cutting for Atlantic Coast Pipeline | Earth First! Newswire

"The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has granted a request by the Dominion Energy-led Atlantic Coast Pipeline to begin cutting down trees along parts of the 600-mile pipeline route in West Virginia and Virginia, despite the fact that the project still lacks some regulatory approvals."

Menominee Tribe Files Lawsuit Over Back Forty Mine Clean Water Act Wetlands Permit | Earth First! Newswire

"Today the Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin filed a lawsuit in federal court against the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Tribe asserts that the agencies have failed to take primary responsibility for a wetland permit that is key to the future of the controversial Back Forty Mine proposal."

Hambacher Forest, Germany: Barricade-eviction, and the 'Hambi 9' « Contra Info

"9 activists in pre-trial detention, after being arrested during a barricade-eviction in the occupied Hambach Forest, Germany. The activists are accused of 'obstructing the work of police officers', during the barricade eviction on Monday the 22. of January. Arriving early in the morning, the cops were met with activists occupying blockading-infrastructure, including 2 tripods, 3 monopods, a skypod, and a 3 meter deep tunnel. The cutting of the Hambacher Forest was officially stopped early this season, on a court-decision, postponing cutting until October 1st 2018, however the risk of eviction of the occupation is as great as ever.



Protesters March Against Snowbowl, Snowmaking

"Just the day before Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a vehement group against the expansion of Arizona Snowbowl and snowmaking on Dook'o'ooslííd, marched across downtown Flagstaff, urging the city council to end the city's contract with the ski resort."

Estonia: Logging Threatens Endangered Species, Sacred Sites | Earth First! Newswire

"Thousands of ancient sites are at risk of logging because the government will not pay to have them mapped, according to Tiit Kaasik, board member of the country's Forest Stewardship Council (FSC). Estonia's FSC is prepared to recommend to international headquarters that auditor Nepcon be stripped of its certification rights, he told Climate Home News, if pagan traditions are not respected."

Canada: Kwakwaka'wakw Leaders Hand Eviction Notice to B.C. Fish Farm | Earth First! Newswire

"Setting out from Port Hardy on Vancouver Island, members of at least six B.C. First Nations took to the sea Monday to deliver an eviction notice to a fish farm operated by Marine Harvest: one of Canada's largest producers of farmed Atlantic salmon."

South Dakota: Oglala Lakota People Denounce State's Approval of Gold Mining | Earth First! Newswire

"At a hearing on Jan. 18, Oglala Lakota tribal members and others took issue with state officials for approving a permit transfer that moves Canadian prospectors one step closer to their goal of large-scale Black Hills gold mining."

BANNER DROP

VA Is For Grand Jury Resistors: A New Year of Repression and Resistance - It's Going Down

"Today a group of people against the grand jury in Charlottesville blocked off the road where Heather Heyer was killed with a banner. What follows is their statement."



RAM Coordinated Banners Against State Terrorism - It's Going Down

"When the system fails to bring about justice, people must bring about justice themselves. For this reason, Revolutionary Abolitionist Movement chapters dropped banners in four areas: the Inland Empire and North Bay in California, Connecticut and New York. We dedicate our actions to Daniel Shaver, to Dwayne Jeune, to Andy Lopez, to Jayson Negron, to Zoe Dowdell and to all those murdered by the state."

Minneapolis, MN: Banner Drop in Solidarity with #J20 - It's Going Down

"Solidarity from comrades in the Twin Cities IWW/GDC! The banner reads: Drop The Charges #Defendj20!"

Durham, NC: Solidarity with Operation PUSH - It's Going Down

"This banner was found hanging in Durham, North Carolina, over freeway 147 this morning.Revolutionaries in Durham stand with the brave freedom fighters in the seven Florida prisons who are going on strike this month for Operation PUSH.Let the crops rot in the fields. Fire to the prisons."

France,Besançon: Revolutionary solidarity with the comrade incarcerated in Cologne

"In the night from Thursday to Friday, in the vicinity of the TGV station, we hung a banner in solidarity with Lisa, the comrade imprisoned in Cologne for a bank robbery in Aachen, Germany. On the banner you can read "Revolutionary Solidarity with Lisa, anarchist incarcerated for a bank robbery in Aachen (Germany)."

Melbourne, Australia: Banner Action in Solidarity with Anarchist Prisoner Lisa

"At a prominent tourist attraction, St. Patrick's Cathoholic Cathedral (the cathedral church of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, and seat of its archbishop, Denis Harta), we displayed a banner reading "Seditious solidarity with 'Aachen Lisa'. Uncompromising resistance to patriarchy, church, capital, and state!". We then hung the banner in a predominant and highly visible position on the gates of the State Parliament House."

Omaha, NB: Coordinated Banner Drops in Solidarity with #OperationPUSH - It's Going Down

"In solidarity and unity with struggling prisoners of Florida and the J20 inauguration defendants, banners by Omaha Anarchist Black Cross and other groups were deployed in the early morning of January 19, 2018. Read the full statement here."

Chicago: Solidarity with #J20 Defendees Coordinated Banner Drop - It's Going Down

"On the one year anniversary of the J20, partisans in Chicago coordinated a series of banner drops in support of the 59 remaining arrestees. We will continue to organize and fight with our comrades until each and every one of them is free from the state's repression."

Narrm / Melbourne, So-Called Australia: Banner Action for Invasion Day 2018

"Banner drop. West Gate freeway. Melbourne. Solidarity with our Indigenous brothers and sisters."

Narrm / Melbourne, So-Called Australia: Banner & Poster Action for #7DaysOfResistance

"Anti-colonial poster & banner action for #7DaysOfResistance on occupied territory of the Boon Wurrung, Kulin Nations. South Eastern suburbs of so-called-Melbourne, 'Australia'.

Banners (L-R): Australia Is A Crime Scene, Stop The Genocide, Abolish Aus Day

Posters: Sovereignty Never Ceded! No Pride In Genocide, Queers Against Colonialism

Abolish Australia Day, Solidarity with the Aboriginal Resistance, Burn the Butcher's Rag."

Armidale, NSW, So-Called Australia: Banner Drops for Invasion Day 2018

"In the early hours of January 26th, 2018, banners were hung around so-called Armidale, NSW, with one facing out onto the parklands where Australia Day Festivities would be held later that day, reading "NO PRIDE IN GENOCIDE – JAN 26 = INVASION DAY". This action was taken by non-Indigenous people as a minimal act of solidarity with the ongoing struggles of First Nations peoples."

Banners Dropped at Super Bowl Media Day - UNICORN RIOT

"Two banners were dropped inside the Xcel Energy Center on Monday, January 29, 2018 during Super Bowl LII's Media Day. The banners read #SBLIIBlackout and #WeReadyWeComing. They were deployed while thousands of press attempted to ask questions of the New England Patriots football team during the NFL's "massive primetime TV spectacle", which also featured the Philadelphia Eagles. No arrests were made. \"

NOISE DEMO

Noise Demonstrations Ring in New Year with Resistance - It's Going Down

"Across the US, Canada, and the world, people rang in New Years with noise demonstrations outside of jails, detention facilities, and prisons. Many cities come out in force despite extreme low temperatures."

Omaha, NB: NYE 2017 Noise Demo Report Back - It's Going Down

"A noise demonstration outside the Douglas County Jail on New Year's Eve was well received by those locked inside. Inmates waved in the high windows and wiped them down with wet cloth, which temporarily reduces the opaque glaze meant to shield their view to the outside. They banged along to our drum beats as more arms and heads became visible in the windows."

Bloomington, IN: A New Year's Ruckus Outside the Jail - It's Going Down

"For nearly a decade, New Year's Eve in Bloomington, Indiana has been marked with noise demonstrations outside the Monroe County Jail, a so-called "correctional center" where prisoners' cages overlook one of the city's most bustling streets.This year, roughly 30 people marched to the jail and gathered outside with drums, pots and pans, and banners that proclaimed "Fire to the Prisons!" and "Happy New Year! Solidarity to all prisoners, toward a world without prisons."

The Netherlands: New Year's Eve Solidarity Action at the Rotterdam / The Hague Airport Deportation Centre

"As a small gesture of support for the people on the inside and disgust for prisons and the world that needs them we held a solidarity action at 00:00 with fireworks, noise, slogans and banners."

Philadelphia, PA: Report on New Year's Noise Demo - It's Going Down

"On the eve of 2018 anarchists and anti-prison rebels gathered to make noise, show solidarity with prisoners, and express our disgust with prisons. While gathered in a park people shared drums and stickers before parading to the Federal Detention Center at 7th St and Arch St."

Montreal: Solidarity Demo Outside Laval Prisons for the New Year! - It's Going Down

"On New Year's Eve, for the sixth year in a row, a noise demonstration was held in front of the Laval prisons. Despite the freezing cold, this year was marked by the greatest participation since the beginning of this tradition. More than a hundred people walked chanting "Everybody hates the police!" and "For a world without prisons or detention centers!", the whole thing accompanied by percussion, banners, whistles and fireworks in large quantities."

Minneapolis, MN: Can't Freeze Us Out - It's Going Down

"On New Year's Eve an assorted crew of rebels braved the sub-zero temperatures in Minneapolis and met in a park downtown to participate in the decade-old tradition of showing people behind bars some love. A small crowd accompanied by percussion instruments and a sound system made their way to the youth jail. After a brisk walk, we arrived at the jail blasting music for everyone locked up inside. Very soon the first heads started popping up in the narrow windows."

Norfolk, VA: Solidarity with Operation PUSH - It's Going Down

"We held a banner and handed out flyers and literature to raise awareness about the strike, prison conditions, and prison struggle both locally and nationally. We concluded the night with a demonstration at the local Norfolk City Jail, where we made noise, chanted, danced, and sent love to the people incarcerated inside. They, in turn, smiled and laughed, jumped up and down, waved other people over to come and watch and read the banner, and danced along to the chants. One fellow-worker even spotted an incarcerated worker holding up and pointing to a copy of the monthly zine we just finished producing called Breaking Bars, a compilation of poetry, prose, and other writings by incarcerated people in Virginia!"

ANTIFA

“Unis pour les Démunis” Flares Out - It’s Going Down

“Shortly after 10:00, the good people of SOS Itinérance arrived and began setting up tables of clothing and a generous spread of tasty and healthy food options, with the comrades from Food Against Fascism also contributing. A little later, a church group—from Lachine apparently—arrived with more food and some cake for desert.“

Neo-Nazi Virginia Tech Employee Mark Neuhoff Continues Online Rants Against African-Americans and Jews - It’s Going Down

“This following report from New River Against Fascism, details the ongoing exploits of Graduate Assistant Mark Neuhoff, a current employee of Virginia Tech University.”

We Don’t Forget J20: Action Report Back from the Greater Seattle IWW General Defense Committee - It’s Going Down

“local musicians performed and the DJ blasted songs throughout the square. Not much later began a rousing march through the campus and down the University Avenue main thoroughfare.“

J20 Solidarity Demonstration in Grand Rapids, MI - It’s Going Down

“On January 20, about 30 people held an event in downtown Grand Rapids, Michigan in solidarity with the remaining J20 defendants. There was a short rally with speakers about the J20 case, ongoing struggles, and the importance of fighting back. Following the speakers, the crowd burned an American flag and a Trump banner before setting off on a march through the center of the city. There were numerous people masked up, anarchist flags were flying, and anti-fascist chants were plentiful.“

Berkeley, CA: Antifa Patrol Turns Up Zero Alt-Right Posters - It’s Going Down

“Along the way, we were able to put several anti-fascist stickers up on campus and the surrounding area. So in the end, what was to be a 4chan propaganda night ended up becoming yet another opportunity to make it known that Berkeley is an antifa zone!“

Albany, NY: Anarchists & Radicals Stand in Solidarity with J20 Defendants at Benefit - It’s Going Down

“The Albany anarchist and radical community came out en mass to celebrate and support J20 defendants at a benefit show thrown at community education space The Albany Free School in the city’s Mansion District. The event put on by “friendly neighborhood anarchists,” featured over a dozen bands from around the capital region, vegan pizza sourced and catered by Albany Food Not Bombs, and a raffle with anarchist themed prizes donated by groups such as It’s Going Down and AK Press.”

Phoenix, AZ: #MyBordersMyChoice Neo-Nazi Propaganda Efforts Foiled by Antifascists - It's Going Down

"Around 50 fliers were found in total, a large increase in prior instances, and it was determined that at least two people were involved, with the comparison of fliers, and techniques used to post them. After we were confident that we had rounded up the significant majority of fascist materials, we moved to a nearby park and disposed of them by fire."

Stand With Tariq Khan As Alt-Right Outrage Machine Inspires Death Threats - It's Going Down

"It is questionable whether Khan and his partner will be able to continue their studies uninterrupted, putting their dreams on hold until racists can stop making harassment their pet cause. This is disgusting, and it is not something we are going to stand by and just let happen. Khan is a respected academic and scholar, a celebrated educator, a committed student, and an amazing father and husband. We will not allow college campuses to be the killing fields for Alt Right terror, and we stand with Khan and anyone else who has been victimized by this kind of threat."

Knoxville, TN: Neo-Nazis outnumbered 700 to 1 at Knoxville Women's March - It's Going Down

"Less than two hours after they arrived at their barricaded protest area, the Traditionalist Worker Party members were escorted back to their vehicles in a nearby parking garage by several police officers in riot gear. A crowd of antifa and anti-racist activists followed them, shouting, "Go home Nazi."



MUTUAL AID

San Diego, CA: Report on Autonomous Activity Over Last Week - It's Going Down

"Food Not Bombs of San Diego/Drop the Ban held one of several actions defying El Cajon's new law against feeding houseless people in public on MLK Day. Earlier in the day, reportedly a blue lives matter flag was captured from a local business in an increasingly gentrified, hip part of town, and the words "I CAN'T BREATHE," were seen painted onto the side of the building." "Meanwhile, signs have been put up in all of the popular panhandling spots with the words "DON'T SUPPORT PAN HANDLING. CONTRIBUTE TO THE SOLUTION…" Suggesting people donate to other services online instead. These signs are promptly being vandalized. Lastly, on January 20th, in solidarity with the J20 defendants and increasing border struggles a very large banner was dropped over the busy I-15. The banner read: "WE ARE STILL HERE DROP J20 SMASH THE WALL!" A bold three arrows on one side and a circle A on the other."

UNION & WORKER ACTIVITY

New York: Wobbly Waiters Stage "Sip In" to Demand IWW Recognition - It's Going Down

"The idea was to disrupt the Saturday dinner rush—several arrived, were seated, and only ordered water (with copious amounts of lemon), stayed for an hour or so, tipped the server generously (so that they wouldn't be punished financially), and then as we left, told the manager that they should allow the servers to join the union. The very talented singing staff started the action by singing Twister Sister's "We're Not Gonna Take It" (feat. in the musical "School of Rock"), then went into Woody Guthrie's "Union Maid." During the chorus ("Oh, you can't scare me, I'm sticking to the union…"), those participants in the diner, stood up, held their waters and ketchup bottles aloft and sang along (To the wtf-bewilderment of all the tourists). Then one of the servers who was fired last week for joining the union came in off the streets, grabbed a mic, and somehow turned "New York, New York" into an accusatory political anthem. She stood on the booth, pointed to the patrons, and after she belted the final note, raised her fist, and shouted "Worker's Rights!"

Portland, OR: Burgerville Workers Union Pickets and Expands Into More Stores - It's Going Down

"Our first picket of the year kicked off 2018 right: faced with yet another strong picket, Burgerville CLOSED THE STORE for the duration of the action for a suspicious "maintenance inspection." This is the power of workers and the community coming together to show that we can and will continue to shut union-busters down!"

ADDITIONAL DISRUPTIONS

Trento, Italy – Those trying to cross the Brenner Pass continue to die: OBB train blocked in Trento |

"A group of comrades blocked the 5.59pm OBB train to Monaco. Speeches on the megaphone, smoke bombs and a banner on the railway, which read: "At Brenner and elsewhere, borders are killing people"."

Santiago, Chile: Noise Bombs Detonated in Solidarity with the Anarchist Comrades Detained in Villa Francia

"We placed three powerful noise bombs, inside a dumpster in a public square, under a car and inside a gym; setting off alarms and attracting the attention of the citizens and the despicable police. The streets of Santiago at night are ours when we decide to indulge in the luxury of vandalizing its symbols."

Los Angeles Community Mobilizes and Sends ICE Packing - It's Going Down

"KPA and allies came out for the morning to show that ICE is not welcome in Koreatown and successfully prevented ICE from returning to the store and continuing to intimidate workers and immigrant communities in Koreatown. As one member of LA Black Rose/Rosa said, "This type of mass action from below by everyday people from the neighborhood has the power to stop these raids. This is where we need to be fighting Trump."

Raleigh-Durham IWOC and Friends March on Abusive Residential Reentry Center - It's Going Down

"Given this situation, and the ongoing oppression of DeMarcus's comrades inside the RRC, Raleigh-Durham IWOC traveled to Winston-Salem to demand to speak to the program director, Melissa Burgess. After not letting us inside the building, we were met by a public relations rep for the Salvation Army, someone who doesn't even work for the halfway house. We told him we weren't leaving until we spoke with Melissa Burgess. After it became clear to him we weren't going to leave from outside the front door – and despite, by the way, him saying he 'supported what we were doing' – he called the cops. We had previously judged our capacity not able to provide adequate jail support outside our Raleigh-Durham base, so when the cops came we moved to a moving picket strategy on the sidewalk outside of the RRC."

HOUSING

Tenants Demand Nuspor Investments drop Rent Increases - It's Going Down

"This morning a group of our neighbours from 1251 King, along with members of Parkdale Organize, travelled together from Parkdale to the uptown offices of the landlord, Nuspor Investments. We came to demand Nuspor drop the above guideline rent increase at the building. We also brought a stack of requests for repairs that have gone long neglected in tenants' units. On a Wednesday morning during business hours we arrived to find the office door locked. Our calls to the Nuspor office phone extensions went unanswered. Rather than hear from their tenants, Nuspor decided to close their office altogether."

REPRESSION

New York State Prison Package Rule Bans Nutritious Food, Makes Money for Corporations - It's Going Down

"The thugs who run the NYS prison system (NYS DOCCS) has issued a new directive (4911A) that describes new, draconian package rules that they are testing in 3 prisons as a 'pilot program'."

Another Assassination Attempt Against an Anti-Dam Activist in Mexico | Earth First! Newswire

"On the eve of this New Year, a group of armed men entered with two cars into the Communal Property of Cacahuatepec in the rural area of Acapulco, Guerrero, with the intention of intimidating the inhabitants that have, since 2003, been organized in the Council of Ejidos and Communities Opposed to the La Parota Dam (CECOP) and specifically, with the intention of assassinating comrade Marco Antonio Suástegui Muñoz, spokesman of this movement and political prisoner of the Guerrero government between June 17, 2014 and March 31 of 2015."

Solidarity Grows as Florida Prisoners Launch #OperationPUSH - It's Going Down

"Today, Florida prisoners launched #OperationPUSH, a work strike in protest of prison slavery, high canteen prices, and for the reinstitution of parole and other basic freedoms. Currently news from the inside is slow getting out, however some facilities in Florida are reportedly not accepting visitors and are on lockdown.On the outside, solidarity rallies, banner drops, and demonstrations of solidarity are taking place in support of #OperationPUSH, as media and publications from Newsweek to Shadowproof have been covering the lead up to the strike. The Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee (IWOC) of the IWW, has also released an audio interview with a prisoner about the strike."

Germany: Sentence Review Rejected for Imprisoned Anarchist Comrade Lisa

"In December, the Federal Court of Justice (BGH) rejected the sentence review for our comrade imprisoned in Cologne. Her sentence of 7 and a half years is now final. Our comrade now wishes to be extradited to Spain to serve the rest of her sentence so she can be closer to friends and family. In the meantime she still remains in the same prison in Cologne and can receive letters…"

Communiqué About The Report Titled "RAM": The State Is The Terrorist | anarchistnews.org

"On 27/12, a 180-page report entitled RAM, prepared by the Ministry of Security of the Nation in conjunction with the provincial governments of Río Negro, Neuquén and Chubut, was officially released, in which it once again criminalizes, demonizes and persecutes the Mapuche who organize and resist; social militants, the Left and anarchism."

Mexico: Five Members of Community Police Killed, 30 More Arrested in Guerrero - It's Going Down

"On Sunday, January 7, members of the Regional Coordinator of Community Authorities – Community Police (CRAC-PC) from the community of La Concepción in the municipality of Acapulco were ambushed by unknown individuals as they were passing the La Concepción municipal police station as part of their security rounds to protect a dance being held during the town's local festival."

Villa Francia, Chile – 4 comrades arrested for carrying a weapon during the commemoration of Matías Catrileo |

"During the initiative, anonymous hooded persons carried out an act of armed propaganda then withdrew from the area.It is at that moment that plainclothes police who were in the vicinity of the initiative and in the village arrested comrades Fernando Droguett, Tomas Montenegro and Maitu Garay, who are accused of possession of two artisanal guns, a starting pistol, ammunition and a bulletproof vest."

Italy – Maurizio Alfieri transferred to Carinola prison in Caserta |

"Prisoner Maurizio Alfieri has informed us that at the end of December he was transferred from Poggioreale prison, where he had been in solitary confinement since April, to the prison in Carinola in the province of Caserta ."

Greece: Gathering of Solidarity to the Termita Squat in Volos city. |

"In the morning of 04/01 in Volos, there was a coordinated operation to evict the Termita Squat. The eviction was made by the University of Thessaly and the police force of Volos and other forces of the region. During the eviction 3 comrades were arrested and released some hours later with the accusation of disturbance of domestic peace and the 6 buildings were demolished right after the operation."

Chile: Anarchist Prisoner Tamara Sol Badly Wounded and in Isolation for Attempted Escape

"URGENT!! We were informed this morning that Tamara Sol was involved in an ATTEMPTED ESCAPE from Valparaíso Prison!!!! She is badly wounded, brutally beaten by Gendarmerie and is currently in isolation, incommunicado and awaiting tansfer to another prison.Tamara has been under sanctions and without visits since early January following a fight, where she was the only one punished. It should be noted that this happened after having VERY GOOD CONDUCT and meeting her WORK REQUIREMENTS to get prison pivileges."

Australia: Over 200 Detainees in Immigration Detention Commence Hunger Strike in Protest Against New Visit Restrictions

"Over two hundred detainees at two detention centres, Villawood in Sydney and Maribyrnong in Melbourne, have declared a hunger strike in protest at visiting restrictions recently announced by Border Force. The detainees have been on hunger strike for more than 24 hours, since the morning of Monday 15 January."

Red Fawn Fallis Enters Non-Cooperating Plea Agreement - UNICORN RIOT

"Attorneys for Red Fawn Fallis have announced that they have reached an agreement with government prosecutors in her case, which was set to go to trial later this month on January 28th.Under the agreement announced on Tuesday, Fallis would plead guilty to counts 1 (Civil Disorder) and 3 (Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition by a Convicted Felon) of the indictment brought against her, in exchange for dropping the more serious second count of Discharge of a Firearm in Relation to a Felony Crime of Violence."

Water Protector Red Fawn Fallis Back in Jail After Thursday Arrest | Earth First! Newswire

"Red Fawn Fallis, the woman arrested for allegedly firing three shots at Standing Rock during a confrontation with law enforcement in October 2016, is back in jail on Thursday night. Fallis, who reportedly will enter a plea agreement on Monday for the 2016 incident at Standing Rock, was arrested by U.S. Marshalls at Centre, Inc. in Fargo, North Dakota for allegedly not being where she was supposed to be earlier in the day, according to sources."

San Francisco: Trump Supporters reunite with the Alt-Right against Sanctuary Cities - It's Going Down

"On Saturday December 16, right wing activists organized two separate but coinciding events after Jose Inez Garcia Zarate was acquitted for the accidental death of Kate Steinle in San Francisco in 2015. Though Garcia Zarate was convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm, a jury found him not guilty of murder, involuntary manslaughter, and assault with a deadly weapon. In response, various factions on the right gathered in San Francisco to protest sanctuary city policies and to hold a vigil for Kate Steinle, disregarding the Steinle family's wishes for Kate's death and the verdict to not be further politicized."

Defend Maru!: ICE Targets Long Time Immigration Activist with Deportation - It's Going Down

"Long time community and immigration activist Maru Mora Villalpando, who has led ongoing protests in Tacoma, Washington as part of the group, Northwest Detention Center Resistance, and who was a guest on the IGD podcast back in May of 2017, has received a "Notice to Appear" in deportation proceedings."

Trentino, Italy – On the finding of bugs and video cameras |

"For months the signs left by power spies seem to be anything but rare occurrences. As happened in some other cities during the noisy Christmas period, in Trentino too we found out who was hiding behind the strange note placed on two comrades' cars. A couple of months ago we found microphones and GPS installed on the cars"

DC Mayor, Police Refuse to Release Financial Records of Trump Inauguration Investigation - UNICORN RIOT

"Unicorn Riot reporters filed a FOIA request for time cards submitted by Detective Greggory Pemberton during his work investigating people arrested at a protest against Donald Trump's presidential inauguration on January 20, 2017. Both the DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), and, upon appeal, the Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser, denied our FOIA request, claiming that the release of the information would 'not comport with the "public interest"'."

US Attorney Drops 129 Trump Inauguration Protest Cases, 59 Still Face Decades In Prison - UNICORN RIOT

"A legal filing submitted today by the US Attorney's Office (USAO) indicate that the federal government has drastically reduced the scope of the prosecution of people mass arrested during Donald Trump's presidential inauguration on January 20 , 2017 (J20). The government will no longer bring charges against 129 of the almost 200 people previously indicted based on their presence at an 'anti-capitalist and anti-fascist' march that was violently herded into a police trap. 59 people still have trial dates scattered throughout this year and face charges carrying up to 60 years in prison."

First Incarcerated Worker Industrial Union Branch Forming - It's Going Down

"The Industrial Workers of the World's (IWW) Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee (IWOC) is excited to announce our first Incarcerated Workers Industrial Union 613 branch application. The charter is currently being reviewed by the IWW's General Executive Board.If approved, this will be the first ever IU613 Branch in IWW history. In fact it will be the very first Incarcerated Workers union branch period."

Second Felony Conviction From Standing Rock Man Camp Action | Earth First! Newswire

"Water Protector Rebecca Jessee was convicted of Tampering with a Public Service, a Class C felony. Water Protector Erica Gonzalez was acquitted on all charges."

Sydney, Australia: Hunger Striking Detainees at Villawood on Lockdown & Denied Visits by Border Force

"In an attempt to break the hunger strike, Border Force has locked down the striking compounds. All visits have been banned. Activities and appointments have been suspended. Border Force has also threatened to cut medications because 'you are not eating.' On Tuesday night (16 January), a Fijian diabetic detainee was rushed to hospital after collapsing inside the centre after 48 hours of hunger strike and lack of medication."

France: Freedom for Georges Louis!

"Our comrade Georges Louis, union representative at the CGT (General Workers Confederation) and a militant of the Secours Rouge Arabe (Arabian Red Help), was arrested again. At 4.30 AM, 10 armed and masked policemen and 4 civilian policemen took our comrade after breaking his door and devastating his appartment. Georges is now held and questioned in Saint-Denis, we don't know for what reasons he was arrested."

Indigenous Forest Defender Sairá Ka'apor Killed in Brazil | Earth First! Newswire

"Armed with clubs, bows and arrows, GPS trackers and crude guns, he and fellow members of Ka'apor Forest Guard drove off – and sometimes attacked – loggers who intruded into their territory, the 530,000-hectare Alto Turiaçu Indigenous Land, which is roughly three times the area of Greater London and contains about half of the Amazon forest left in Brazil's northern Maranhão state. That vigilante role came to an end last April when Sairá was stabbed to death in Betel, a logging town close to Ka'apor territory."

#NoDAPL Water Protector 'Rattler' Takes Non-Cooperating Plea - UNICORN RIOT

"The Water Protector Legal Collectiveannounced that attorneys for water protector Michael Markus, known as Rattler, had reached a non-cooperating plea agreement with federal prosecutors. In the deal, Rattler agreed to plead guilty to one charge of Civil Disorder in exchange for a recommended prison sentence of three years. He had been scheduled to go to trial on two charges of Civil Disorder and Use of Fire to Commit a Federal Felony Offense, which carried a minimum sentence of ten years in prison and a possible sentence of up to fifteen years."

Chile: Prison Officer Michelle Barahona, Responsible for the Harassment & Mistreatment of Anarchist Comrade Tamara Sol (Eng/Esp)

"Tamara Sol has been punished in a severe and inhuman manner. The last incident was provoked when two common prisoners, instructed by the gendarmarie, threatened Tamara and she defended herself. Tamara and two comrades who came to her aid, were brutally beaten, locked in 'La Jaula' (punishment cell) and shackled, with their hands and feet bound."

Third Black Cville Resident Arrested in Wake of 'Unite the Right' - It's Going Down

"Mr. Blakney is the third counter-protester to be arrested and charged arising out of the events in Charlottesville on August 12, 2017. Corey Long and DeAndre Harris are both also facing criminal charges. All three are Black men and local residents who were attacked that day."

Italy – The Italian government's politics in Libya |

"With the shameless pretext of the 'struggle against human traffickers', the Italian State is lavishly financing war lords, guards and militias (those clumsily defined as the 'Libyan government') for the control and mass internment of the poor in flight. Patrols and refusal of entry along the Mediterranean coast, the detention of about six hundred thousand people in the Libyan concentration camps, the erection of a wall in the desert along theborders with Niger, Chad and Mali."

The Heat is On: Update on Week 1 of #OperationPUSH - It's Going Down

"Prison organizers who correspond with these groups are being targeted for having their "security threat level" increased–a practice that translates into greater isolation and harsher conditions of confinement. One prisoner was told point blank, "As long as you communicate with these people you're always going to be labelled a security threat and you're always going to be put under investigation. "Communication has been curtailed so severely that it's hard to know how much of an economic impact the strike has had so far; we do know that in some cases scab labor has been brought in to keep facilities running."

BREAKING: Rashid Johnson Tortured by Florida DOC - It's Going Down

"Kevin "Rashid" Johnson is being tortured at the Florida State Prison according to an "emergency note" Rashid's lawyers received from him yesterday dated 1/19. It is suspected the torture began sometime between 1/12 and 1/19 since there was no mention of it in his 1/12 communication. No other details are available at this time but we will post updates here once we have them. This comes immediately after news that Rashid faces an "inciting a riot" charge for merely reporting on #OperationPUSH. You can read Rashid's original reporting on Operation PUSH and the conditions in Florida prisons on IWOC's site here. Rashid is the Minister of Defense of the New Afrikan Black Panther Party (Prison Chapter) and a prolific organizer, author, and artist.

Albany, NY: Support for Dawedo from Capital Region Anti-Repression Committee - It's Going Down

"Here in Albany, a community member is being targeted by ICE. Dawedo Sanon was taken and is being held in an immigration facility in Buffalo, NY. She is facing court dates, and her family is navigating how to keep her home. They're raising funds to get her out of the facility. Her family has set up a fundraiser, which you can donate to here."

Kurdish Fighters Defend Afrin From Turkish Military Invasion in Northern Syria - UNICORN RIOT

"Turkish Armed Forces launched "Operation Olive Branch" which amounted to a full-scale military invasion of northwestern Kurdish-controlled Syria. The Turkish Armed Forces rank second to the United States, as the largest military force within the NATO alliance. In the last few days, the Turkish military along with an estimated 25,000 Free Syrian Army (FSA) rebels, have fired extensive artillery barrages into multiple villages near Afrin, dropped hundreds of bombs with F-16's, and driven ground forces into Syria that include armored tank brigades and heavy infantry."

Arrests and Injuries as Mexicali Resiste Defends Blockade Against Police Attack - It's Going Down

"For more than one year, residents of Mexicali have been organizing against the construction of a brewery and aqueduct by the U.S. company Constellation Brands. If completed, the facility would produce beer for export to the U.S. and consume seven to thirty million cubic meters of water annually. (A city of one million uses around 20 million cubic meters.) Earlier this month, members of Mexicali Resiste began blockading aqueduct construction. On January 16, state and local police forces attacked the blockade and an hours-long confrontation ensued. While the blockade was successfully defended, at least five were arrested and ten injured. Below is a translation of the statement released later that day by Mexicali Resiste."

Italy – Updates on the deported Sardinian anarchist prisoner Davide Delogu |

"From a telegram we received on 15/01/2018 we learn that the censorship office has been accumulating books sent in over 8 months, which they are not giving him. He has only received two bulletins. He sends hugs to all comrades who unconditionally struggle with dignity on both sides of the walls."

Senate Approves Extended Surveillance Powers For Trump - UNICORN RIOT

"The US Senate voted to reauthorize Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, or FISA – the legal underpinning for global mass surveillance carried out by the National Security Agency (NSA). The Senate passed the bill last Thursday after the US House of Representatives approved the same legislation a week earlier on January 11. President Trump signed the bill into law on Friday, January 19. The bill would extend unaccountable surveillance authorities for another seven years, at which point FISA will again be up for congressional reauthorization."

Water Supply at the Ramsey Unit, Texas, May be Contaminated Like the Rest of the State - It's Going Down

"Jason Renard Walker is Deputy Minister of Labor for the New Afrikan Black Panther Party and one of the contributors to the Fire Inside zine. He writes here about possible water contamination in Texas prisons, as it has been revealed that across Texas, many people are drinking water polluted with radium."

Humanitarian Arrested After Group Releases Report Implicating US Border Patrol - UNICORN RIOT

"Hours after the release of a report titled 'Interference with Humanitarian Aid: Death and Disappearance on the US-Mexico Border', which exposes the US Border Patrol's efforts to destroy water, food, and blankets left by humanitarian aid workers, agents arrested an aid provider and two others receiving aid near Ajo, Arizona on January 17, 2018.

The aid provider arrested by Border Patrol was Scott Warren, who since 2013 has been working with the organization No More Deaths to provide "direct humanitarian aid in an effort to end death and suffering along the US-Mexico border."

Judge Accepts Red Fawn Fallis Plea Agreement - UNICORN RIOT

"Red Fawn Fallis's plea agreement was accepted by North Dakota Chief Judge Hovland. The agreement, made between her defense team and federal prosecutors, dropped the most serious charge of "discharge of a firearm in relation to a felony crime of violence." Fallis pled guilty to the remaining charges of 'Civil Disorder and 'Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition by a Convicted Felon.' Red Fawn Fallis is expected to have a sentencing hearing sometime in May."

Social Center Burned Down by Nazis & Nationalists in Thessaloniki, Greece - UNICORN RIOT

"Using the cover of a large nationalist rally over Macedonia naming rights, Nazis and nationalists attacked two social centers (burning one to the ground), vandalized a Holocaust Memorial and tore down a sign promoting religious tolerance. Although dozens of police were present, no arrests were reported in either of the attacks on the social centers, 'The School' and 'Libertatia Squat'."

Cops, Cameras, and Condos: Bloomington Is Getting Worse - It's Going Down

"Bloomington is not an unaffordable, tightly-packed, constantly-surveilled dystopia yet. There are more condos, cameras, and cops now than in the recent past, and there will be even more of all three in the future. This piece is not meant to produce a feeling of hopelessness, but rather point out to those who are threatened by these new developments how the situation here is changing, so we can adapt. The forces of order are still not omnipotent, not even close."

Cambodia: Environmental Activists Jailed For Photographing Boat | Earth First! Newswire

"Dem and Hun were arrested on September 12, 2017 while at sea after filming boats suspected of being involved in the transportation of illegally dredged silica sand. The two environmental activists have been held in pre-trial detention since their arrest."

Class War Scotland member on trial for displaying a poster on his window | anarchistnews.org

”Eventually David was arrested for ’threatening or abusive behaviour’ under Section 38, The Criminal Justice and Licencing (Scotland) Act 2012 and for ‘failure to give details as a witness’ under the Court Section 13–14, The Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995. However, initially David wasn’t even charged: instead, he was taken to the police station, where he was made to wait for 9 hours, and was subjected to anal cavity search. David is a member of Class War Scotland. He says that ‘It was done to humiliate me, because they were obviously aware of my political standing which is anarchist’. David’s trial took place mid- January at Glasgow Sheriff Court and the case has been adjourned till June. “

Murder at the Ramsey Unit, Texas: Prison Administration's Repression of Whistle-blowers - It's Going Down

“Jason Renard Walker is Deputy Minister of Labor for the New Afrikan Black Panther Party and one of the contributors to the Fire Inside zine. He writes here about a recent murder of a fellow inmate at the Ramsey Unit, the negligence that contributed to the death, and how the administration has sought to take control of the situation and punish him for his attempts to expose the situation.”

Bologna supporters fined for anti-police brutality protest

“Supporters of Bologna football club have been fined for their protest during an away game at Napoli on Sunday to commemorate the violent murder of a teenager by police officers in Ferrara, Northern Italy.”

REST IN POWER

Ursula K. Le Guin, Acclaimed for Her Fantasy Fiction, Is Dead at 88

“Ursula K. Le Guin, the immensely popular author who brought literary depth and a tough-minded feminine sensibility to science fiction and fantasy with books like “The Left Hand of Darkness” and the Earthsea series, died on Monday at her home in Portland, Ore. She was 88.“



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